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(57) Abstract: The present invention relates to a sorbent material having a solid support substantially modified with a fluorinated polymer coating which is covalently attached to the support and the fluorinated polymer coating is containing at least one functional group, methods of obtaining the sorbent material, the use of these materials for separation of substances, a chromatographic column or cartridge at least partially filled with the sorbent material of the invention, a membrane-like device comprising the sorbent material of the invention, a device comprising the sorbent material of the invention in loose form as well as a miniaturized device comprising the sorbent material.



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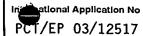
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